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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S)

Mark B. Knudson, et al.

SERIAL NO.

10/682,067

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FOR

October 9, 2003

Method and Apparatus for Performing Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery

GROUP ART UNIT:

3738

EXAMINER

David J. Isabella

Mail Stop Appeal Brief Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

SIR:

Applicants respectfully request a five-month extension of time for filing an Brief on Appeal in the above-identified application. The Brief was due August 25, 2007, two months after filing of a Notice of Appeal. The extended deadline is January 25, 2008.

A check in the amount of Thirteen-Hundred-and-Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1370.00)

enclosed herewith includes Eleven-Hundred-and-Fifteen Dollars (\$1115) in payment of

10/682,067 07883.0080-12 the fee for a five-month extension for a small entity. Small entity status applies to this application.

The enclosed check also includes Two-Hundred-and-Fifty-Five Dollars (\$255.00) in payment of the small-entity fee for filing an appeal brief.

A Brief on Appeal is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with this communication, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-0838. A copy of this Request is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Please note that the correspondence address and the telephone number for this application has been changed to the address set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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